

REV. T. B. McDONALD TO CELEBRATE SILVER JUBILEE OF ORDINATION

Plans for This Celebration Are Being Made by the Parish, the Visitation School, and St. Teresa College

Reverend T. B. McDonald, organizer and pastor of the Visitation Church, will celebrate the Silver Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood Tuesday, February 2.

Father McDonald, a native of Kansas City, and a pioneer citizen in the Country Club District, was born August 13, 1876. His father was Judge John A. McDonald of the county court. Father attended St. Benedict's College. He was ordained priest in 1907, in the parish church of his parents, Our Lady of Good Counsel, by Bishop Thomas F. Lillis, several months ahead of his class at Kenrich seminary.

The parish of the Visitation was organized two years later and Father was given pastoral jurisdiction over it. He celebrated the first Mass in his new parish at the home of his parents, which was located at 51st and Main, on September 5, 1909. At that time there was no beautiful church such as we see today. There was no large congregation like the one that fills the church three times every Sunday. There was only a small church, in every sense a pioneer church, located on the northeast corner of Rock Spring road and Grand avenue. The congregation consisted of about twelve families scattered around an area which was almost a wilderness.

This was a small beginning but one commenced in the spirit of zeal and devotion for the greater glory of God. The twelve families who worshipped here had homes to pay for, children to house and clothe, heavy taxes to meet and they could not give much support to their pastor, who remained two years at Our Lady of Good Council Church, but came out every Sunday and on holidays to offer one Mass.

As time went on, the number of families increased and the parish Continued on Page 4

St. Teresa Delegates Attend First M.C.E.C.

Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace Is Presented with a Spiritual Bouquet

The first session of the Missouri Catholic Educational Conference was held in St. Louis, under the auspices of the School of Education of St. Louis University, December 28 and 29. Sister Annetta and Sister M. Victoria attended the meeting.

Right Reverend Monsignor P. P. Crane, V. G., chairman of the Diocesan School board, presided. The opening address was given by Very Reverend Robert S. Johnson, S. J., president of the university.

More than 900 religious were present at the first session, which convened to discuss elementary school problems. The attendance at the second sectional meeting, which was planned for the high school, numbered about 500.

All the delegates were the guests of the St. Louis Circle of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, at luncheon, both on Monday and on Tuesday.

The most impressive feature of the program was the presentation by the St. Louis Circle of the I. F. C. A. of a Spiritual Bouquet to Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace, Vice-Rector of the Catholic University of America.

Faculty Members Attend Convention

Proceedings of American Catholic Historical Society Especially Interesting

Mother Marietta and Sister Eustachia attended the forty-sixth annual meeting of the American Historical Association, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, December 28, 29, 30.

Meeting concurrently with the American Association were: Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

Conference of Historical Societies. Agricultural History Society. American Catholic Historical Association.

National Council for Social Studies.

American Society of Church History.

History of Science Society.

The proceedings of the American Catholic Historical Association were especially interesting. The program opened Sunday night, December 27, with an informal reception to committees. Each morning of the three-day session was devoted to public sessions. The nine papers read during these sessions dealt with the general subject: The Catholic Church in Contemporary Europe (1919-1931).

Mr. Carleton J. H. Hayes, president of the Association, is one of the most noted lecturers and writers on history in the United States. His "Political and Social History of Modern Europe" is used as a textbook in colleges throughout the country.

Membership in the American Catholic Association is open to all who are interested in the history of the Catholic Church. Members have the privilege of receiving "The Catholic Historical Review," which is published quarterly.

Book-Lovers Pleased With Recent Gifts

Mr. J. J. Guinea, of Washington, D. C., Alumnae and Other Friends Listed as Patrons

The book-lovers of Saint Teresa College are again rejoicing in the additional volumes which recently have been added to the stacks.

Mr. James J. Guinea, of Washington, D. C., whose name is listed among the benefactors of other colleges, selected a list of over one hundred volumes and this time chose our college as the recipient of his gift. Most of the collection will be used in the historical research department and will serve the interests of those students who formerly were forced to seek their information in other reference libraries.

Mrs. M. Scurry presented "Cranmer" by Belloc, and "Memoirs of Prince Von Bulow" by Voigt; Mrs. S. Warinner, "American Poetry to Whitman" by Untermeyer; A friend, "Practice of Perfection and Christian Virtues" by Rodriguez; Alumnae, "Lief Erikson" by Gray; Miss Alma J. Wirthman, "Complete History of the World War" by King; and Miss Mary Eleanor Muller-Thym, "The

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The College Freshmen Will Entertain
The Sophomores with
A
Formal Dance, February 8
At
St. Teresa College

December 18, 1931
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We wish to tell you what great pleasure you gave to us when we opened your lovely box. May the Babe of Bethlehem reward your generosity and bless each one abundantly.

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Again we wish to thank you and wish you a very Merry Christmas.

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Sodalists Will Have Busy Summer

Three Conventions and Catholic School of Action Planned

Three conventions and a Summer School of Catholic Action are announced by the Sodality Central Office for the summer of 1932. The college convention will be held in Chicago, June 17, 18, and 19. A special meeting for priests, brothers, and scholastics will be held in Chicago, June 20, 21, 22, and 23, and the final convention has been planned for June 24, 25, 26 at the same place as the first two.

The college convention will be open to college students, students of schools of nursing, to high school seniors who intend to enter college next fall, and to faculty moderators and directors.

A unique program suited to the needs and interests of priests, brothers, and scholastics has been planned for the second convention, which is to be held for men directors only.

The third convention will be open to high school students, directors, moderators, and faculty members. This is the first time that the high school and college have had separate meetings. But since the problems and needs of each are quite different, and since such an arrangement has worked successfully in local conventions, this seemed the better plan to accept.

The Summer School of Catholic Action will be held in St. Louis, the last two weeks of August, under the auspices of the St. Louis University School of Sociology. It will be open to parish Sodalists, to Sisters interested in courses in Catholic Action, religion and sociology, and to qualified laymen and women. Those who are interested in the possibilities of the Pope's program of Catholic Action will find courses adopted to their special needs.

The Central Office is already making arrangements for the three conventions and the Catholic School of Action.

Dramatic Department Plans Program

Sophomores Will Present Two One-Act Plays.

A monthly assembly is being planned by the Dramatic Department of the High School. The plan is to have each class take over the assembly period for a particular month. This will give each of the classes a chance to present a program in which all members of the class may take part.

The first of this series of assemblies will be given the last week in January and will be sponsored by the Sophomore class. They will present two one-act plays, "The Cast Rehearses" and "This Is So Sudden".

St. Teresa Students See Splendid Play

Stock Company Scores in "Death Takes a Holiday"

A group of St. Teresa students attended Albert Casella's famous play, "Death Takes a Holiday," Tuesday evening at the Orpheum. The Rockhurst circle sponsored the performance for that particular evening. Judging from the crowd and the favorable comments on the production the undertaking was quite a success.

"Death Takes a Holiday" presents a novel thought with an unexpected sense of reality. You see, Death, belonging to the world of eternity, is curious to know why mortals fear him and cling to life. So, to satisfy his curiosity, he decides to take a holiday, to assume human form for three days, to subject himself to human appetites and emotions. During the period of his holiday nothing dies. It is a sort of concentrated springtime. And during this springtime, Death learns the meaning of human love. He begins to understand why human beings fear him, why the parting with loved ones seems almost unendurable.

"Death Takes a Holiday" is a play that makes one think. Every line is fraught with meaning. If the spectator takes an active interest he finds himself thinking on the subjects of life, death, and immortality.

The Woodward Players have scored a point in this offering. Don Burrough, portrays the character of Death with sincerity and feeling. His mastery of lines and skill in creating the reality of the situation, make the play a success.

The St. Teresa students enjoyed this performance and eagerly await the announcement of the Stock Company's program for the season.

Sodality Awards Prizes for Best Posters

Barbara Rutledge Receives First Prize, Mary Harrington Second

The sodalists of the academy held their monthly meeting in the auditorium December 7. An unusually attractive program was carried out. Prizes were awarded to the winners of the poster contest. Three college girls, Agnes Hayes, Trenetta Grogan, and Grace Holloway, were the judges. According to their decision Barbara Rutledge, sophomore, received first award. The sodality presented her with a beautiful rosary. Mary Harrington, senior, whose poster won second place, received an ivory cross. All the girls who had entered this contest were praised for their beautiful work. Every poster will be placed at different times on the spiritual bulletin board.

Virginia Reardon's address on "Mary Our Mother," and Jane O'Gara's on "Mary Immaculate" were selections ideally chosen for the program dedicated to Mary in honor of her feast. Jeanne Gier's "Hymn to the Virgin," Mary Elizabeth Finney's poem, "Our Lord and Our Lady," and Mary Ries' violin solo helped to make this program truly interesting.

NOTICE

The officers of the Student Council wish to thank the college students for their generous donations made in behalf of a very needy family, adopted by the college.

ST. TERESA WINS INTERSTATE DEBATE IN GROUP NUMBER 1

Defeat Independence January 8, Defeat Rockhurst High School January 15th

The debating team which has represented St. Teresa Academy in the Missouri Debating League Contest recently completed the last of a series of victorious encounters. According to the first schedule arranged by the Missouri League St. Teresa, Rockhurst, Independence and Center High School were placed in Group I. These schools were to engage in a succession of debates and the school winning the greatest number was then to represent the division. The result, however, was a tie between St. Teresa, Rockhurst and Independence. Consequently a schedule involving only these three schools was arranged and the question "Resolved, That the Several States Should Enact Compulsory Unemployment Insurance," was again debated.

The first debate in which St. Teresa participated took place December 8. The negative team consisting of Jeanne Gier and Louise Frickie debated William Chrisman High School at Independence. The decision was given in favor of Independence.

On the afternoon of December 11, St. Teresa's Negative team defeated Rockhurst. The debate took place at St. Teresa.

The third debate of the schedule which was to be held December 18, was forfeited to St. Teresa by Center High School.

The first debate of the second schedule, was with Independence at St. Teresa, January 8. Anne Elizabeth Darby and Annabel Shannon defeated the negative team from William Chrisman.

In their final debate St. Teresa again upheld the Affirmative. Their opponent was Rockhurst. The debate was held January 15, at Rockhurst. The score was 3-0 in favor of St. Teresa.

As victor of Group I. St. Teresa will meet the champion of another division as soon as the schedule is arranged.

Ninety-five Members Attend Guild Luncheon

Next Meeting Will Be Monday, February 1; New Members Welcome

The St. Teresa College Guild held its monthly meeting, luncheon, and book-review on Monday, January eleventh in the school dining room, which has just been redecorated.

The following were hostesses: Mrs. A. W. Baun, Mrs. J. P. Byrne, Mrs. John O'Gara, Mrs. W. J. Koehler, Mrs. Charles Le Cluyse, Mrs. F. Ruark, Mrs. H. Seested, Mrs. Harry Shannon, Mrs. C. Stauch, Mrs. Catherine Soden, Mrs. John Soden, and Mrs. John Troup.

A delightful menu was served to ninety-five.

Mother Marietta spoke of the student educational trip to Washington and announced a course in Dante to be given by Professor G. Bert. No important business was transacted in the meeting as there are to be no activities on account of prevailing business conditions. However, the Guild wishes to call attention to their monthly luncheons which have proved most popular. It is their desire to have the mother of every St. Teresa student a member of the Guild.

Mrs. Carlton Hogan gave a most interesting book review of "The Good Earth," by Pearl Buck.

The next luncheon will be Monday, February the first.

Ben Greet's
Productions Delight
S. T. C. Students

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Programs

A number of college and high school pupils were among the audience which enjoyed Ben Greet's production of "The Comedy of Errors", and "Julius Caesar" at Ararat Temple, December 15.

Sir Philip Ben Greet is the greatest producer of Shakesperian plays in the world. He appears in all of his productions and adds much to them by his presence, though he often chooses comparatively small parts. He has made several tours of America, as well as other countries, and his productions are everywhere enthusiastically received.

Russell Thorndike is the leading man of the company and to quote the "Star", "He is an actor who should appear in Kansas City an entire week, not just one night." Mr. Thorndike played the part of Dromio of Syracuse in "The Comedy of Errors", and rendered a marvelous characterization of Brutus in "Julius Caesar".

The youngest member of the company is Peter Dearing, eighteen years of age, who graciously autographed a number of wadded programs after the evening performance. In answer to a number of questions, Peter revealed the facts that he has been on the stage since he was six years of age, has been to America three times and likes it very much prefers Joan Crawford in the movie line, doesn't think Amos 'n Andy funny, and doesn't smoke cigarettes—not even Old Golds.

Both performances were staged in the true Elizabethan manner, but of the two, "Julius Caesar" was more enjoyed, probably because, being a tragedy, its lines were more powerful and dramatic, and it was more familiar to the audience than "The Comedy of Errors". Yet the comedy deserves mention because it is a play that is not often presented by Shakesperian companies.

The players left Kansas City immediately after the evening performance for Washington, where they were to perform on the White House grounds.

St. Teresa Defeats
Blue Springs Team

The Debate Was a Non-Scheduled
Practice Contest.

The first debate in which St. Teresa upheld the affirmative of the question, Resolved: That the Several States Should Enact Legislation Providing for Compulsory Unemployment Insurance, took place December 17, with Blue Springs high school in the St. Teresa auditorium.

Virginia Reardon, president of the Student Government Association, acted as chairman and introduced the speakers. Ann Elizabeth Darby, first speaker for the affirmative, showed the need for compulsory unemployment insurance, Louise Vaughn, first negative speaker, built her case on the financial unsoundness of the insurance, Annabel Shannon, 'second affirmative speaker, emphasized the desirability and practicability of the plan advocated by the affirmative, Helen Schraeger attempted to prove the insurance plan would not be satisfactory to labor or industry.

Rebuttals followed the constructive speeches; then the chairman read the judges' decisions which unanimously awarded the victory to the affirmative.

The debate was not on the regular schedule but because Center forfeited their debate to St. Teresa, Miss Hill, debate coach, arranged the substitute debate with Blue Springs.

The judges in the contest were Miss Ann Hooley, Mr. H. Ward, and Miss Esther Secret.

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TERESIAN TATTLER

Oh that leap in the dark—But if at first you don't succeed, leap, leap again, or is such advice more or less superfluous?—We have heard, however, that the observation of Leap Year is considered about as significant as ye Yuletide mistletoe—

Did all the "Fresh Frosh" and "Sophisticated Sophomores" have a whirl all the way from Alpha to Omega?—That Chi Mu affair had us rather gaga—what with looking at solitaires on several old St. Teresites—Dorothy Baxter waved a languid hand before our very eyes—We cheered with "How did you get it?"—Prepossessing remark. Then Dorothy Wilson brought forward about six feet four of blushing manhood and displayed her "Xmas" present—Many Happy Returns of the Day, Dorothys, (you numerologists might look into this name, Dorothy, if you're interested in "rocks")—The Lambda party was a good example of Ye Yuletide Cheere—Did you see that diving exhibition in the fountain during intermission, sort of a dying swan effect—We missed the actual fray, but there also appears to have been a "cat" fight in the entrance of the hotel—The general opinion congratulates the Lambda's for setting an example for "crashers." Speaking of parties, that Freshman dance shows fair promise of taking place before Lent—Our correspondent proved unusually recalcitrant withholding the salient facts but the prospect is so assured that Dolores McGovern will probably start making out her program—

"My Spanish Sweetheart," is the next dramatic offering of the school, an operetta full of clever dialogue and repartee and catchy tunes—All mello sopranos and off altos may try out side or west, which ever you prefer—Glena Mae Capen has obligingly offered to play the part of the bull and that redoubtable Zona Mae Downs will undertake one set of Dutch twins—Why, Zonie, only one set?


And now that exams are looming—we suggest starting that deferred studying—so if we're stumped by "Was the Deluge Universal?" you can—tell the Tattler.

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Father McDonald to
Celebrate Jubilee

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began to feel the need of a much larger church. In the spring of 1915 plans were formulated and the foundation was laid for a permanent church. The parishioners, who then numbered about sixty families, became enthusiastic over the new project and although they knew they were facing a difficult undertaking, they succeeded, under the able and self-sacrificing leadership of their pastor, in erecting one of the most beautiful churches in the city. The first Mass was read in the Church on Christmas day, 1916.

It was not five years later that Father through his untiring work succeeded in erecting his new school, located at 5134 Baltimore. The school was opened on September 6, 1921, with thirty-five pupils. Two Sisters from St. Teresa were in charge. The number of pupils has since increased from thirty-five to one hundred and twenty-five, from two Sisters to four.

To the regret of the student body, Father McDonald is not as familiar a figure at the College as he was in the olden days. His work has increased and his time is taken up with the various activities of his parish and school. But he celebrates a Mass occasionally at the College on Sunday.

Father will always be remembered for the interest he took in St. Teresa when it was in its infancy. Many of the older students recall the active interest he took in all school projects and the delightful religion classes he conducted.

Father McDonald deserves a great deal of praise for the work he has accomplished. He is greatly loved and admired by his parishioners, the children of his school, and by the faculty and students of St. Teresa.

Plans are being made by each group to celebrate this happy occasion, Father's Jubilee.

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Holy Bible."

The following books were purchased by the St. Teresa College Alumnae library fund:

"Eugenie, Empress of the French," O. Aubry; "One Hundred Best Poems," M. Barrows; "The Coming Age and the Catholic Church," W. Barry; "Ancient and Medieval Art," M. H. Bulley; "The Unknown War," W. S. Churchill; "Will Men Be Like Gods?" W. F. Dudley; "Afoot in Italy," J. Gibbons; "Heading for the Abyss," Lichnowsky; "Virginibus Christi," Mother St. Paul; "The Complete Works of Francois Villon," J. U. Nicolson; "Versailles," K. F. Nowak; "Memories and Reflections," 2 volumes, Oxford and Asquith; "Alexander Pope," E. Sitwell; "Our Changing Theatre," D. R. Skinner; "Modern American Poetry," L. Untermeyer; "America's Ambassadors to France," B. Willson.

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Alumnae

The Alumnae will entertain with a card party January 30, at the home of Mrs. John W. Soden. Tickets will be one dollar. For reservations call Mrs. George Korty.

The regular Alumnae luncheon will be held the second Monday of every month at the Ambassador. The meeting will take place during the luncheon. For reservations see Mrs. Ed. Hauber.

A baby girl, Mary Alice, was born to Mrs. Geo. Turner, who is the former Miss Dorothy Murphy, December 26.

Miss Margaret Borserine was met on her arrival at Murcia, Spain, by the President of the University and some of the members of his family. Miss Borserine was a guest at his home for several days. Margaret is delighted with everything in Spain and knows she will thoroughly enjoy her work there.

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